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G.O. No. 400-I

DATED 29. 11. 1918

[Despatch Abstract.]

Water power at Periyar

Recording question No. 57 asked by the Hon the Rajah of Ramnad at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 19. 11. 1918 and the answer given thereto, regarding the utilization of water power available at Periyar, Madura Dt.

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Local and Municipal (Legislative) Department.

The Hon'ble the Raja of Ramnad.

Public Works Department.
Public Works (Irrigation) Department

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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

MADRAS
27 NOV 1918
No. 6820/18-A
P.W.D. IRRIGATION
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

QUESTION.—No. 23 for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on ~~the~~ 19. 11 1918.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the P.W.D and P.W.(Irr) Departments with reference to Nos. (1) and (4) of the rules regulating Secretariat procedure in dealing with these Questions in the Legislative Council. Orders regarding admission will be communicated in due course.

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Leg U.O. No. 2350-1 dated 6-11-18

To

The Public Works (Irr) Department with Q 23.

P.W.D. (Irrigation).

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Orders regarding the admission of the question are awaited.

2. The "Madras Mail" dated 6-8-1918 containing the article alluded to in the question is put up below. The leaderette referred to is marked in red line borders, perusal of which is solicited. A copy of the report on the utilisation of water power at the Periyar by Major A.J. deLOTBINIERE, R.E. is also put up. It will be seen therefrom that it was at the instance of the Madras Government that Major A.J. deLOTBINIERE, was deputed to report on the question

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of the utilisation of water power at the Periyar. The report was dealt with in G.O.No.773-I., dated 14-7-1904 and it was eventually forwarded to the Government of India. The Government of India replied that they could not accept the scheme in the form in which it had been submitted and they wanted a definite project to be put forward in the form of an estimate with plans showing its details. Proposals drawn up as far as possible in conformity with the views of the Government of India were forwarded to the Government of India in 1905 but that Government did not approve of the scheme. Again in June 1909 a preliminary scheme submitted by the Director of Industries was referred to the Govt. of India for their opinion & further suggestions.

Vide Para 2 of Govt. of India letter No. 269 C.W.I. dated 16-2-1905 ~~printed~~ on page 6 of G.O.No. 1020 I. dated 28-10-05.

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3. ~~Subsequently~~ In September 1909 Mr. A.H. Garrett applied to the Government of India for a concession to develop power at the Periyar and this is under correspondence with the Government of India.

4. The Additional Member in asking for a statement on the subject apparently wishes to know only what became of Major deLOTBINIERE'S report. In this case he may be told that the Government were unable to approve of the scheme in the form in which it had been submitted by Major de'Lotbiniere. It does not seem advisable to make any statement at this stage about the proposed concession to Mr. Garrett.

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Perhaps the following answer might be given:—

"At the request of the Madras Govt., Major Joly de Lotbinière submitted, in the year 1904, a report on the utilisation of water power at the Periyar Lake. Proposals in conformity

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with [~~Major de Lotbiniere's~~] his recommendations [~~for the development of power~~] were submitted to the Govt. of India in the year 1905; but they ~~were~~ were ~~not approved by that Govt.~~ disallowed on the ground ~~as~~ that they involved a ~~the~~ diminution in the supply of water available for irrigational purposes in the years of ~~bad~~ short rainfall."

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LD | The draft reply may be approved. The file regarding the proposed Periyar Power Concession to Mr. Garrett is ~~now~~ in circulation prior to a reply being sent to the Govt. of India.

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If a suppl.y question is put wd. it be correct to say "The Govt. have now under consid.n "~~more~~ other proposals for utiliz.n of the Periyar water power on hydro-electric projects"

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Typed copies of the draft answer to go to Legislative are put up.
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U. O. No. 6820/18A-1
Dated 13.11.18

We might, it is submitted, state in reply to any supplementary question that "the question of granting a concession for the utilization of the water-power available at Periyar is under correspondence with the Govt. of India".

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The Hon'ble the Raja of Ramnad.

Utilization of water power available at Periyar.

57 Q.—(a) Have the Government perused the leaderette in the *Madras Mail*, dated 6th August 1918, regarding the proposal for conserving power in the Periyar project for electric lighting and industrial purposes, made by Major Joly de Lotbinière?

(b) Will the Government kindly make a statement upon the subject?

57 A.—At the request of the Madras Government, Major Joly de Lotbinière submitted, in the year 1904, a report on the utilization of water power at the Periyar Lake. Proposals in conformity with his recommendations were submitted to the Government of India in the year 1905, but they were disallowed on the ground that they involved a diminution in the supply of water available for irrigational purposes in years of short rainfall.

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A draft order recording the papers is subd. for approval.

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S II—10 (a). Public Works (Irrgn) DEPARTMENT

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